



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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MEMORANDUM

To: IO - Mr. Charles W. Maynes

From: D/HA - Patt Derian

Subject: Twenty-eighth Session of the Executive Committee of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) Program

The annual session of the UNHCR's Executive Committee is scheduled to be held in Geneva from Tuesday, October 4 until Wednesday, October 12. A one day meeting of the Subcommittee of the Whole on International Protection will be held on October 3. A copy of the letter of invitation to participate and the provisional agenda are attached for your information.

While my schedule for October is a busy one, I do plan to attend part of the Executive Committee session and will want to make a general statement before that body. Since I will be unable to participate in the full eight day discussion, I propose that I be designated as United States Representative and that my Deputy for Refugee and Migration Affairs, James L. Carlin, be designated as Alternate Representative. I would also like to have on the delegation Mr. Edward T. Brennan, Counselor for Humanitarian Affairs at U.S. Mission, Geneva as an advisor and Mr. George L. Warren, Jr., D/HA, who is responsible for the UNHCR programs on my staff also as an advisor. I would appreciate your having an instruction forwarded to U.S. Mission, Geneva accrediting these officials as the U.S. delegation.

Thank you very much for your assistance. I am looking forward to attending the Executive Committee Session which provides a further opportunity to express our emphasis on human rights and humanitarian affairs before an international forum.

Attachments:

1. Letter of Invitation
2. Provisional Agenda

Clearance:

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